**TEMPLATE Contractors to local care providers**

Dear *[name of contact]*,

I am *[insert job title]* at *[insert LPC name].*

This year community pharmacy teams across England are offering NHS flu jabs to eligible patients/clients as part of the NHS national flu immunisation programme. An update to the scheme applied from 20th November 2017 means all community pharmacy teams can now vaccinate care home and domiciliary care workers. This is to boost the uptake of flu vaccinations to respond to pressures on frontline services this winter.

This means that health and social care staff (aged 18 years and over) employed by your organisation that are directly involved in the care of vulnerable patients/clients who are at increased risk from exposure to influenza.

The pharmacy service aims to make it easier than ever to get a flu jab and increase the number of at risk people across the country being protected from ill health over the winter months.

All care home and domiciliary care workers would need to do is attend this pharmacy and request an NHS flu vaccination. The care worker would need to provide some form of evidence such as a staff ID badge, payslip or there is a [template letter](http://psnc.org.uk/services-commissioning/advanced-services/flu-vaccination-service/care-home-workers-and-domiciliary-care-workers/) available that you could put on your letterhead and give to eligible staff to get their free flu vaccination at this pharmacy. Pharmacy location details are as follows:

*Enter pharmacy name/s and address/es]*

Pharmacists use the same vaccination as those offered by GPs and they will notify the person’s GP practice when they have vaccinated them.

We would be happy to work with you to raise awareness amongst your staff in about the flu vaccination service and the importance of getting a flu jab.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions.